



California Department of Veterans Affairs

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NEWS FOR VETERANS

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INFORMATION FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

The U.S. Department of Defense provides a one-stop source of information called **Military OneSource**, a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week, toll free information and referral telephone service available worldwide to active duty, Reserve, and National Guard military members and their families, and deployed civilians and their families. **Military OneSource** provides information ranging from every day concerns to deployment / reintegration issues. Additionally, if there is a need for face-to-face counseling, **Military OneSource** can provide a referral for six sessions per issue with professional civilian counselors at no cost to the military or family member (please note that in-person counseling is only available in the United States and Puerto Rico). Overseas, **Military OneSource** can help access those existing services provided through Medical Treatment Facilities.

Services available through Military OneSource include:

- Parenting and child care
- Education
- Relocation
- Financial and legal concerns
- Everyday issues (finding services locally)
- Emotional and well-being
- Health and fitness
- Addiction and recovery
- Military life
- Work concerns
- Crisis support
- Elder care, and
- Other additional issues

Military OneSource can be accessed via telephone by using the following numbers:

- From the U.S.: 800-342-9647
- Outside the U.S.: (country access code) 800-3429-6477 (dial all 11 digits)
- Or call collect from outside the U.S.: 484-530-5947
- TTY/TTD: 800-346-9188
- En Español, llame al 877-989-5392

Telephones are answered live, without any automated system. Military OneSource's standard is to answer over 90% of calls within 20 seconds or about 3 rings of the telephone. Callers get immediate access to a Masters level consultant.

In addition, Military OneSource also provides information on a variety of topics and issues online at www.militaryonesource.com (user id: military; password: onesource). Users may use the website to order educational materials (booklets, cds, etc.) at no charge and access consultants online on a 24/7 basis.

NEWS FROM THE LOS ANGELES AVENGERS

**ARMED FORCES & VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY
WITH THE LOS ANGELES AVENGERS
STAPLES CENTER
SUNDAY, MAY 29 – 12:30 p.m.
LOWER LEVEL SEATS - \$5.00*!!**

The Western Division Champion Avengers will host a Divisional Round Playoff Game
Sunday, May 29 – kickoff at 12:30 p.m.
Lower Level tickets for armed forces, veterans and their families with a valid ID are only \$5.00!!
Join fellow members of your military as we honor America and **STAND WITH THE AVENGERS!**

For additional information or to order your tickets please contact: Chris Holmes at 310.407.0285
or cholmes@laavengers.com

* Tickets are non refundable and subject to availability
The Deadline to order tickets is Thursday, May 26th
This ticket offer is not available though STAPLES Center box office

POTENTIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

In an effort to assist organizations providing assistance to homeless veterans, the California Department of Veterans Affairs offers the following potential funding source.

Federal Funding Opportunities from HUD
Community Development Technical Assistance (CD-TA) McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance
<http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HUD/ODGMO/AT/FR-4950-N-03G-REPOST/Modification1.html>

MEMORIAL DAY 2005 EVENTS

The Memorial Day 2005 Events Calendar is now available on the CDVA homepage at www.cdva.ca.gov. Please continue forwarding your organization's Memorial Day 2005 Events to us for inclusion in updates of this listing/calendar. Email your information to newsforveterans@cdva.ca.gov. You may also fax your information to 916.653-2611, attention: Jaime Arteaga.

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